

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the above-mentioned Final Rejection, claims 8, 20, 29 and 30 were rejected as failing to comply with the written description requirement; claims 1, 2, 13, 21, 23 and 32 were rejected as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 5,986,426 (Rowan); and claims 3-7, 9-12, 14-16, 24-28, 31, and 33-35 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

The allowance of claims 17-19 and 36-38 is acknowledged with appreciation; and these claims remain in the application.

Allowable dependent claims 3, 9, 14, 15, 16, 24, 26, 31, 33, 34 and 35 have been rewritten as independent claims with only minor clarifying changes made to them.

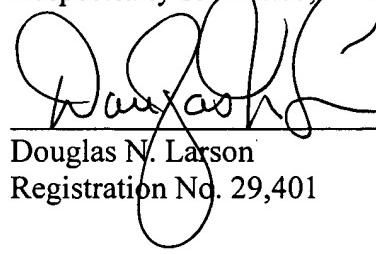
Claims 1, 2, 13, 21, 23, 29 and 30 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

New claims 39-51 have been added. Support for "loudspeaker" in independent claim 39 is found in original claim 8, for example. These claims are not taught by the prior art, including Rowan and Ferland, Applicant submits.

Accordingly, it is respectfully contended that all of the claims are now in condition for allowance. Issuance of the Notice of Allowance at an early date is thus in order. If there are any remaining issues, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the below-signed counsel for Applicant at (213) 689-5142 to seek to resolve them.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1853. Should such additional fees be associated with an extension of time, Applicant respectfully requests that this paper be considered as a petition.

Respectfully submitted,



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